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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION.

1. A LETTER PURPORTEDLY FROM THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C., HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY DILLINGHAM MURPHYORES, CONCERNING DMSS SAND MINING OPERATIONS ON FRASER ISLAND. DM IS A JOINT VENTURE OF DILLINGHAM, AN AMERICAN MINING COMPANY, AND MURPHYORES INCORPORATED PTY. LTD., AN AUSTRALIAN MINING COMPANY.

2. LETTER WAS WRITTEN AUGUST 12TH AND WAS SIGNED BY RICHARD J. RODDEWIG, STAFF CONSULTANT, AMERICAN CONSERVATION FOUNDATION, 57 DERBY STREET, VAUCLUSE, N.S.W. 2030. NAME AND ADDRESS ON LETTERHEAD IS: THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION, 1717 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C., 20036. CONSULATE UNABLE TO DETERMINE FROM LETTER WHETHER RODDEWIG IS AN AUSTRALIAN OR AMERICAN.

3. LETTER REFERRED TO EIGHT-COUNTRY COMPARATIVE LAND USE STUDY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND GERMAN MARSHALL FUND. DESIRE TO MEET WITH DILLINGHAM MURPHYORES IS SUPPOSEDLY IN CONNECTION 28TH LAND USE STUDY. LETTER REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH GENERAL MANAGER DILLINGHAM MURPHYORES SEPTEMBER 1 OR 2.

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RM ACTION REQUESTED -- CONSULATE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT

VERIFICATION EARLIEST OF CONSERVATION FOUNDATION LAND USE STUDY AS WELL AS CREDENTIALS OF RICHARD J. RODDEWIG, AUTHOR OF LETTER. ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL.

COMMENT -- CONSULATE CAN LOCATE NO SYDNEY TELEPHONE LISTING FOR CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OR FOR RODDEWIG. IN ADDITION, STYLE OF LETTER GIVES RISE TO SUSPICION THAT BONA FIDES OF RODDEWIG MAY NOT BE GENUINE. SAND-MINING ISSUE EXTREMELY SENSITIVE, DILLINGHAM MURPHYORES UNDERSTANDABLY CAUTIOUS ABOUT SUCH INQUIRIES.  
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